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BENZOTHIOPHENE DERIVATIVES

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SIR:

In response to the Office Action mailed on July 27, 2007, please amend the claims as follows and consider the remarks.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

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